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Final performance report of the United Nations Mission in the Sudan

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

I. Introduction

1. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions has considered the final performance report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Mission in the Sudan (UNMIS) (A/69/579) which provides details on the Mission's assets, outstanding liabilities and fund balance as at 30 June 2014. During its consideration of the report, the Committee met with representatives of the Secretary-General, who provided additional information and clarification, concluding with written responses received on 9 February 2015.

2. The mandate of UNMIS was established by the Security Council in its resolution 1590 (2005). By its resolution 1997 (2011), the Council decided to withdraw UNMIS effective 11 July 2011 and called for the complete withdrawal of all uniformed and civilian UNMIS personnel, other than those required for the Mission's liquidation, by 31 August 2011.

3. Activities related to the liquidation of the Mission, including the disposition of its assets, were carried out during the period from 12 July to 31 December 2011. Information on the final disposition of the assets of UNMIS is contained in a separate report of the Secretary-General (A/68/709 and Corr.1), and the views and comments of the Advisory Committee thereon are set out in its report dated 8 May 2014 (A/68/866).

II. Financial performance

4. A summary of the financial performance of the Mission from 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2014 is provided in paragraphs 4 to 6 of the report of the Secretary-General, and information with respect to income, expenditure and the fund balance is shown

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in table 1 (A/69/579). As at 30 June 2014, of the total income of $6,436,498,000, net expenditure amounted to $5,829,734,000, leaving an unencumbered balance of $606,764,000. Taking into account credits returned to Member States in the amount of $578,669,000, the fund balance for the Mission amounted to $28,095,000.

5. Information on cash assets, liabilities and fund balance as at 30 June 2014 is presented in table 2 of the report. With respect to the Mission's available cash in the amount of $21,352,000, the Advisory Committee was informed, upon enquiry, that potential outstanding liabilities in the order of $600,000 relating to claims against UNMIS were in the settlement negotiation phase and would reduce the amount of cash available to Member States upon settlement.

6. With respect to the Mission's liabilities in the amount of $24.7 million, the Advisory Committee was provided with the following breakdown.

Table 1
Liabilities of UNMIS as at 30 June 2014
(Thousands of United States dollars)

To Member States	*Amount*
Unutilized credit balances	23 135.8
Overpayment for assessment	445.1
Unliquidated obligations — travel of military personnel	78.3
Miscallaneous claims	73.7
Subtotal	**23 732.9**
To Other	
Staff	461.0
Other persons	108.6
Other United Nations entities	189.0
Vendors	201.3
Inter-fund	27.8
Subtotal	**987.7**
Total	**24 720.6**

7. **The Advisory Committee expects that all efforts will be made to settle outstanding liabilities relating to all missions in liquidation. Furthermore, the Advisory Committee expects the Secretary-General to provide updated information to the General Assembly on the cash balance of UNMIS at the time of consideration of the present report. In this connection, the Committee reiterates its expectation that the cash surpluses available for credit to Member States will be returned in full and in a timely manner (see A/69/827, para. 6).**

8. In addition, in his report, the Secretary-General indicates that assessed contributions receivable from Member States amounted to $5,781,000 as at 30 June 2014 (A/69/579, table 2, footnote). Upon enquiry, the Committee was informed that

as at 31 January 2015, the receivable for assessed contributions amounted to $5,312,180.

9. **The Advisory Committee recalls the repeated calls by the General Assembly for all Member States to pay their assessed contributions in full, on time and without conditions (see resolutions 65/293, 64/243, 62/236, 56/253 and 54/249). In that regard, the Committee reiterates its recommendation that the Secretary-General be requested to use his good offices and engage Member States in seeking to resolve the issue of unpaid contributions (see A/67/837, para. 6).**

III. Recommendation

10. The action to be taken by the General Assembly in connection with the final performance report for UNMIS is contained in paragraph 7 of the report of the Secretary-General (A/69/579). **Subject to its comments and observations in the paragraphs above, the Advisory Committee recommends that the cash balance, as provided to the General Assembly by the Secretary-General at the time of consideration of the present report, be credited to Member States.**